

CLAIMS

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1. A catamenial tampon comprising: a bag-like conformable absorbent body, said tampon having an outer surface, an inner surface, a head portion and a trailing portion, said inner surface of said tampon defining an interior of said tampon wherein said head portion is closed and said trailing portion defines an opening into said interior of said tampon, said tampon having a shape modulus of compression of less than 0.05 pounds force.
 2. The tampon of Claim 1 further comprising a withdrawal string attached to said absorbent body of said tampon.
 3. The tampon of Claim 2 wherein said withdrawal string is attached to said head portion of said absorbent body of said tampon.
 4. The tampon of Claim 2 wherein at least a portion of said withdrawal string is disposed within said interior of said tampon.
 5. The tampon of Claim 2 wherein said withdrawal string is attached to said head portion of said absorbent body of said tampon and at least a portion of said withdrawal string is disposed within said interior of said tampon such that said tampon is inverted when said withdrawal string is pulled for removal.
 6. The tampon of Claim 1 wherein said tampon comprises an absorbent material selected from the group consisting of: rayon, cotton, superabsorbent material, and blends thereof.